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SUBJECT: COUNTERVAILING DUTY COMPLAINT - FERROCHROME

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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY OFFICE

, TREASURY HAS BEEN IN CONTACT SOUTH AFRICAN EMBASSY ANTICIPATING RESPONSE TO COUNTERVAILING DUTY QUESTIONNAIRE (REFTEL) AND HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT RESPONSE HAS BEEN DELAYED PENDING CLEARANCE BY SENIOR OFFICIALS IN COMMERCE MINISTRY.

2. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT APPROPRIATE SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS ON URGENT BASIS TO DETERMINE STATUS OF RESPONSE. TREASURY IS REQUIRED TO MAKE PRE-LIMINARY DECISION IN INQUIRY BY JULY 4, 1975 AS EXPLAINED IN REFTEL. IF TIMELY SOUTH AFRICAN RESPONSE NOT FORTH-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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COMING, TREASURY MUST MAKE DECISION OF WHETHER BOUNTIES OR GRANTS EXIST BASED ON BEST INFORMATION AVAILABLE, THAT WHICH WAS SUPPLIED BY PETITIONER. FYI: TREASURY ALSO CONCERNED THAT WITH LARGE NUMBER OF CASES ON WHICH IT IS

REQUIRED TO REACH PRELIMINARY DECISION BY JULY 4, SOUTH

AFRICAN SUBMISSION MAY NOT RECEIVE AS FULL CONSIDERATION
AS DESIRABLE WITH LITTLE OPPORTUNITY FOR FOLLOW-UP
CLARIFICATION. END FYI.

3. AFTER FACT FINDING PHASE OF INVESTIGATION AND IF A
PRELIMINARY AFFIRMATIVE DETERMINATION ISSUED,
OPPORTUNITY WILL EXIST FOR CONSULTATION AND REVIEW OF
POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVE SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEM.

4. SINCE FERROCHROME IS COMMODITY OF STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE
TO USG, EMBASSY REQUESTED TO TREAT PROCEEDINGS AND
DISCUSSIONS WITH SOUTH AFRICAN GOVERNMENT AS SENSITIVE
AND PRIORITY MATTER, AND TO GIVE STATUS REPORT AS SOON AS
POSSIBLE. KISSINGER

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